REMARKS

In the present office action, the Examiner has allowed claims 1, 2, 6-13, 16 and 18-20. Claims 3-5, 14, 15 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The amendments to claims 3-5, 13-15, and 17 are believed to make these rejections moot. The errors cited by the Examiner were minor typographical errors, i.e., "butyrene" as opposed to the correct "butylene", and translation errors, i.e., "the polypropylene comprises an organic peroxide prepared by extruder and having a melt index" as opposed to the correct "the polypropylene comprises a polymer prepared by extrusion and having a melt index".

The claims were amended, and also the specification was amended as needed to conform to the language of the claims. No new matter was added by these amendments.

Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request allowance. Should the Examiner find any outstanding issues, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 202-496-4451 in order to expeditiously resolve such matters.

Applicants believe that no fee is due for this communication. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 11036-010-999).

Respectfully submitted,

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